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Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated 27 July 2004, the applicants are submitting only the corrected section of the Non-Compliant Amendment. Accordingly, only the Amendments to the Claims showing that claims 1-7 from the parent application are now cancelled, is submitted herewith.

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